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FOR AMBASSADOR MC CLOSKEY FROM AMBASSADOR DEAN

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SUBJ: REQUEST FOR COMMITTEE APPEARANCE

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1. I APPRECIATE BEING ALERTED TO THE POSSIBILITY OF HAVING TO APPEAR BEFORE THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATIONS REGARDING THE EVACUATION FROM CAMBODIA.

2. AS CHAIRMAN HAMILTON PROBABLY REMEMBERS, I CALLED ON HIM IN MAY OF 1975 AFTER MY RETURN FROM CAMBODIA AND VOLUNTEERED TO ANSWER QUESTIONS AT THAT TIME. DURING THAT MONTH I ALSO VISITED SOME 20 CONGRESSMEN AND SENATORS AND DISCUSSED WITH THEM THE EVENTS IN CAMBODIA.

3. THE QUESTION OF THE AMERICAN EVACUATION OF CAMBODIA WAS AGAIN DISCUSSED IN DEPTH WHEN I APPEARED BEFORE THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE IN OCTOBER LAST YEAR IN CONNECTION WITH MY CONFIRMATION AS AMBASSADOR TO DENMARK. I ASSUME THAT MINUTES OF THESE HEARINGS ARE AVAILABLE.

4. IN THE EVENT THAT MY PRESENCE IS REQUIRED BEFORE THE COMMITTEE, I WOULD LIKE YOU TO KNOW THAT I AM SCHEDULED TO SPEAK IN SEVERAL CITIES IN DENMARK DURING THE FIRST WEEK IN FEBRUARY. IT WOULD BE MOST UNFORTUNATE IF I HAD TO CANCEL THESE ENGAGEMENTS. I DO NOT KNOW THE URGENCY FOR MY APPEARANCE BEFORE THE COMMITTEE, BUT PERHAPS IT

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MIGHT BE USEFUL TO KEEP IN MIND THAT I PLAN TO RETURN TO

WASHINGTON ON CONSULTATION AROUND MAY 1, PRIOR TO THE VISIT
OF THE DANISH QUEEN TO THE US ON THE OCCASION OF THE
AMERICAN BICENTENNIAL. I WOULD NATURALLY BE AVAILABLE TO
THE COMMITTEE AT THAT TIME IF THE INQUIRY CAN WAIT.
DEAN

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